commendations the quota level has been higher than 50 percent ceiling as decided by the Supreme Court;

(b) if so, the names of these States and the reservation quota prevailing at present in these States;

(c) whether Government has any proposal to make necessary amendments to the Constitution enabling such State Governments to maintain the status quo in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K.V. THANGKA BALU) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Two Southern States namely Tamil Nadu and Karnataka have reservation quota above 50%. The reservation quota of Tamil Nadu is 69%. In Karnataka the total reservation quota was 68% which has been increased to 73% on 17th April, 1994. and to 80% on 25th July 1994.

(c) and (d) The issue is under examination.

पिछड़े वर्गों से संबंधित अभ्यर्थियों के लिये परीक्षा पास करने के अवसर

714. चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह:
श्री ईश दत्त यादव :

क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उच्चतम न्यायालय ने मंडल आयोग के एक मामले (इन्द्रा साहनी बनाम भारत सरकार) के संबंध में अपने निर्णय के पैरा 549 में यह स्पष्ट उल्लेख किया है कि प्रतियोगी परीक्षा पास करने के लिए पिछड़ी जातियों के अभ्यर्थियों को अतिरिक्त अवसर, परीक्षा शुल्क से छूट और अतिरिक्त प्रशिक्षण समय इत्यादि की सुविधा उपलब्ध कराई जानी चाहिए ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और क्या सरकार इसका पालन कर रही है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के.वी. तंकाबालू) : (क) जी, हां । यह न्यायमूर्ति पी. बी. सांवत की टिप्पणी है । तथापि यह बहुसंख्य निर्णय का भाग नहीं है ।

(ख) तथा (ग) ये मुद्दे परीक्षणाधीन हैं ।

World Bank report on status and conditions of women

715. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH :
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the draft report on the status and condition of women, prepared by the World Bank which stated that there are about 75 million 'missing' women in India and China ;

(b) if so, how many of these 75 million missing women belong to India ;

(c) what were the necessary statistics about India obtained by the World Bank from Indian Government; if not, what is the source of the collection of the necessary statistics by the World Bank ; and

(d) what action has been taken by Government or propose to take about such women belonging to India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.